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So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. BONAMICI. Mr. Chair, I regret to inform you that I was unable to attend today's legislative session. Had I been present, I would have voted: "yea" on rollcall No. 61, "yea" on rollcall No. 62, "yea" on rollcall No. 63, "yea" on rollcall No. 64, "yea" on rollcall No. 65, "yea" on rollcall No. 66, "yea" on rollcall No. 67, "yea" on rollcall No. 68, "yea" on rollcall No. 69, "yea" on rollcall No. 70, "yea" on rollcall No. 71, "yea" on rollcall No. 72, "yea" on rollcall No. 73, "yea" on rollcall No. 74, "yea" on rollcall No. 75, "yea" on rollcall No. 76, "yea" on rollcall No. 77, "yea" on rollcall No. 78, "yea" on rollcall No. 79, "yea" on rollcall No. 80, "yea" on rollcall No. 81, "yea" on rollcall No. 82, "yea" on rollcall No. 83, "yea" on rollcall No. 84, "yea" on rollcall No. 85, "yea" on rollcall No. 86, "yea" on rollcall No. 87, "yea" on rollcall No. 88, "yea" on rollcall No. 89, "yea" on rollcall No. 90, "yea" on rollcall No. 91, "yea" on rollcall No. 92, and "nay" on rollcall No. 93.

AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO MAKE CORRECTIONS IN ENGROSSMENT OF H.R. 21, STRATEGIC PRODUCTION RESPONSE ACT

Mrs. RODGERS of Washington. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Clerk be authorized to make technical corrections in the engrossment of H.R. 21, to include corrections in spelling, punctuation, section numbering, and cross-referencing, and the insertion of appropriate headings.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. Burlison). Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from Washington?

There was no objection.

PROVIDING AMOUNTS FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE STRATEGIC COMPETITION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY

Mr. STEIL. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on House Administration be discharged from further consideration of H. Res. 67, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the resolu-

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Wisconsin?

There was no objection.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 67

Resolved,

SECTION 1. AMOUNTS FOR EXPENSES OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE STRATEGIC COMPETITION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY.

(a) Amounts for Expenses.—

(1) PAYMENT OF EXPENSES.—There shall be paid out of the applicable accounts of the House of Representatives not more than \$350,000 for the expenses of the Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party established under section 104(f) of House Resolution 11, as agreed to January 10, 2023 (hereafter referred to as the "Select Committee"), to be available during the period beginning at noon on January 1, 2023, and ending on March 31, 2023.

(2) VOUCHERS.—Payments under this subsection shall be made on vouchers authorized by the Select Committee, signed by the chair of the Select Committee, and approved in the manner directed by the Committee on House Administration.

(b) REGULATIONS.—Amounts made available under this resolution shall be expended in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Committee on House Administration.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR VICTIMS OF THE HALF MOON BAY SHOOTINGS

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I seek recognition to pay tribute to those who lost their lives in my congressional district in the community of Half Moon Bay on Monday of this week.

Mr. Speaker, seven lives, seven precious lives, farmworkers in a community that is as all-American as can be, about 11,000 people. It is a bucolic community on the magnificent California coastline. It is known for its pumpkin festival. It is known for its Mavericks competition in terms of surfers, but also, for over a century, it has been known for its flora culture and its agriculture.

It was on Monday that one individual went to a nursery—actually, where he worked. He knew exactly who he was pursuing. It was intentional. It was targeted. It was execution, and children witnessed this. Children witnessed it.

He left that site, drove about a mile and a half to Highway 1, which is the scenic highway with the magnificent Pacific Ocean on one side and the community on the other, to another nursery and murdered three others.

The first 3 weeks of this New Year: 39 mass shootings in the United States of America. We always come to the floor: Thoughts and prayers, thoughts and prayers.

My thoughts are, I don't think we are safe anywhere anymore—churches, schools, community centers, now at nurseries where agricultural workers work, dance rooms, restaurants.

I believe sincerely, number one, in prayer. My prayer today is that there will be a collective examination of conscience in the Congress because we have a responsibility in this. We all do, regardless of party.

This is a matter of conscience. It is a moral issue. When the number one cause of death of children in our Nation is from gun violence, we have to stop and examine our conscience.

We say home of the brave, land of the free. My prayer today is that we will be the home of the safe.

These are whose lives were taken on Monday: Zhishen Liu, 73 years old; Aixiang Zhang, 74 years old; Qizhong Cheng, 66 years old; Jingzhi Lu, 64 years old; Marciano Martinez Jimenez, 50 years old; Yetao Bing, 43 years old; Jose Romero Perez, 38 years old.

God rest them.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE DEMOCRATIC LEADER

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable HAKEEM JEFFRIES, Democratic Leader:

Hakeem Jeffries, Democratic Leader, January 27, 2023.

Hon. KEVIN McCarthy, Speaker of the House, Washington, DC.

DEAR SPEAKER MCCARTHY: Pursuant to 22 USC §7002, I am pleased to appoint the following member to the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission on behalf of the Speaker: Mr. Jacob S. Helberg of Miami Beach, Florida

As previously agreed, because of the change in Congress and the presumed statutory intent of the Commission, I am appointing Mr. Helberg on behalf of the Speaker. As such, I am pleased to make this appointment.

Thank you for your attention to this mat-

Sincerely,

Hakeem Jeffries, Democratic Leader.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to sections 5580 and 5581 of the revised statutes (20 U.S.C. 42-43), and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Member on the part of the House to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution:

Ms. Matsui, California.

COMMONSENSE SOLUTIONS FOR FARMERS AND RANCHERS

(Mr. ALFORD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. ALFORD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today as a voice for the farmers and ranchers of Missouri's Fourth Congressional District and our Nation.

I promised to listen to their concerns and their needs, find real solutions, and serve their voice here in Congress. Today, I am proud to stand before you as I introduce our very first bill, the Amplifying Processing of Livestock in the United States Act. We call it the A-PLUS Act.

This is our first bill, and as a member of the House Agriculture Committee, I am dedicated to finding commonsense solutions for our farmers and ranchers, whom I represent.

The good people of Missouri have asked that we introduce this legislation, which releases the livestock industry from unnecessary and decadesold regulations.

The A-PLUS Act increases packer competition for livestock and meat processing capacity at the local level. It fixes local supply chain issues, and it supports small businesses.

I am committed to our farmers and our ranchers and will always serve their voice here in Congress.

DIRECT ATTACK ON STRATEGIC PETROLEUM RESERVE

(Mr. PAYNE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to criticize the Strategic Production Response Act.

This bill is a direct attack on the Strategic Petroleum Reserve and threatens our country's economic and national security.

The reserve was created in 1975 to protect Americans from another oil embargo and create stability in our economy, and it was created by a Republican President, Gerald Ford.

Now, Republicans want to connect oil releases from the reserve to dangerous oil drilling on Federal lands.

The release of oil from the reserve helped lower gas prices by almost \$2 after the Russians invaded Ukraine. It helped working Americans put food on the table and pay their rent during that time. But Republicans want to punish middle-class Americans with higher gas prices and ruin the environment in the process.

Mr. Speaker, it is a disgraceful bill, and they should be ashamed to even introduce it.

RECOGNIZING THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE AUSCHWITZ CONCENTRA-TION CAMP LIBERATION

(Mr. SANTOS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. SANTOS. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to acknowledge that the 27th of January marks the anniversary of the Auschwitz concentration camp being liberated by the Red Army in 1945.

Let this day serve as a reminder that we must honor the victims and the survivors. We must also pay tribute to the liberators, who rescued millions of people who nearly fell victim to the Holocaust.

In fact, I would like to take a moment to acknowledge the grandmother of one of my D.C. staffers, who is a 93-year-old survivor of Auschwitz and is also one of the few survivors of her family, who was tragically lost at the hands of Nazi murderers.

Anti-Semitism is a plague in this Nation, and it is undoubtedly up to us to ensure this kind of tragedy is never to be seen again.

This is a tribute to aging survivors and the Jewish community. We must guarantee access to the services they need to live long and dignified lives.

This day and every day, we give credence to the dark side of humanity but strive for a better and brighter future.

CONDEMNING AZERBAIJAN'S BLOCKADE OF LACHIN CORRIDOR

(Mr. CÁRDENAS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CÁRDENAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to condemn Azerbaijan's ongoing blockade of the Lachin Corridor.

For more than 6 weeks, under the guise of an environmental protest, Azerbaijan has conducted a blockade of the Lachin Corridor, the only road connecting Nagorno-Karabakh to Armenia.

The blockade has left thousands of people without access to critical medical supplies, food, and essential goods.

This is needless and malicious and is part of a larger pattern of violence by the Azerbaijani regime against the people of Armenia and Nagorno-Karabakh.

I urge the administration to use every tool at its disposal to ensure the safety of the people of Nagorno-Karabakh and put an end to this needless and violent blockade.

We must provide direct humanitarian assistance through this administration and every Member of Congress so that we can help the people who are suffering through this atrocity.

HONORING HEROIC BRANTLEY COUNTY FIRST RESPONDERS

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor the heroic Brantley County first responders

In early January, there were several drug overdoses on the west end of the county. Thanks to the hard work and expertise of the Brantley County paramedics, EMTs, deputies, dispatchers, and many others, multiple people were saved.

To honor them for their outstanding work, I will name everyone involved:

Brantley EMS: Chad Hester, Dale Jewell, Kim Carter, and David Farrior. Brantley County 911 operator Devinee Cady.

Brantley County deputies Vanessa Wilson and Christopher Edgerton.

Lastly, Deputy Ralph McCormick and Detention Officer James Leston Jacobs.

Because of the heroic acts of this selfless group, many lives have been saved.

They all deserve a hero's welcome and celebration. On behalf of myself, the First Congressional District of Georgia, and the Nation, thank you for your service.

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WOMEN'S ACCESS TO MEDICATION ABORTION

(Ms. ROSS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to defend women's access to medication abortion.

In the wake of the Dobbs decision, the Justice Department reaffirmed that States cannot ban the abortion pill, which now accounts for the majority of abortions nationwide.

Medication abortion is safe and effective. It is healthcare.

However, in North Carolina, women face unnecessary limitations that not only allow treatment to be delayed by 72 hours but require counseling before medication abortion.

This week, a brave physician in North Carolina, Amy Bryant, filed a lawsuit challenging these dangerous restrictions

Let's be clear. Any State that limits a physician's ability to prescribe abortion medication is causing harm to women and creating needless barriers to healthcare.

We cannot give up on the fight for full reproductive autonomy.

INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

(Mr. LAWLER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAWLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize International Holocaust Remembrance Day. Together, we must all honor the millions of lives that were lost to the unspeakable atrocities committed by the Nazi regime.

The Holocaust claimed the lives of over 6 million Jews and millions of other residents of Europe. It was one of the most horrific genocides to ever occur on our planet, perpetrated by an evil and twisted group of fanatics.

The horrific violence and campaign of death that the Nazis waged on all fronts is a stark reminder of the fragility of human life and the importance of defending it.

My district, New York's 17th District, is home to one of the largest per capita Jewish populations in the United States. On this day, in particular, my heart and thoughts are with them as we remember those in our own community who have lost loved ones during the Holocaust.

We must all recommit ourselves to confronting anti-Semitism wherever it rears its ugly head and continue to work toward a safer and brighter future for all.

ENERGY INDEPENDENCE IN PERPETUITY

(Ms. KAPTUR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1